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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 09/652,842

Confirmation No. : 4065

Applicant : Vishnu K. Agarwal

Filed : August 31, 2000

Attorney Docket No. : 501082.06

Art Unit : 2825

Customer No. : 27,076

Examiner : Belur V. Keshavan

Title : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A
CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of the above-identified application.

1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Submission previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____.
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - iii. ☐ Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on _____.

b. ☐ Submission enclosed

- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (Supp. IDS)

2. Suspension of Action (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

3. Accompanying Papers

- ☒ Postcard
- ☒ Check
- ☒ Fee Transmittal Sheet
- ☒ Petition

4. Deposit Account

- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required in the above-identified patent application to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Respectfully submitted,

Vishnu K. Agarwal

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FEE TRANSMITTAL SHEET (FOR FY 2004)

Complete if Known

Application No.	09/652,842
Filing Date	August 31, 2000
First Named Inventor	Vishnu K. Agarwal
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (Check One)

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and 1.136(a)(3) and credit any over payments to Deposit Account No.: 50-1266; Deposit Account Name: DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP

2. ☒ Check Enclosed

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
	770	385		<input type="checkbox"/> Utility Filing Fee
	340	170		<input type="checkbox"/> Design Filing Fee
	530	265		<input type="checkbox"/> Plant Filing Fee
	770	385		<input type="checkbox"/> Reissue Filing Fee
	180	80		<input type="checkbox"/> Provisional Filing Fee

Subtotal (1) \$0

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Current Claims	Prior	Extra	Fee	Fee Paid
Total	-	20	x \$	= \$
Ind.	-	3	x \$	= \$
Multiple Dependent Claims			x \$	= \$

Subtotal (2) \$0

Large Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
18		9		Claims in excess of 20
86		43		Independent claims in excess of 3
290		145		Multiple dependent Claim
86		43		Reissue independent claims over original patent
18		9		Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

FEE CALCULATION (Continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee paid
	130	65		Surcharge - Late filing fee or oath	\$
	50	25		Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	\$
	130	130		Non-English specification	\$
	2,520	2,520		For Filing a Request for ex parte Reexamination	\$
	920	920		Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	\$
	1,840	1,840		Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	\$
	110	55		Extension for reply within first month	\$
	420	210		Extension for reply within 2 nd month	\$
	950	475		Extension for reply within 3 rd month	\$
	1,480	740		Extension for reply within 4 th month	\$
	2,010	1,005		Extension for reply within 5 th month	\$
	330	165		Notice of Appeal	\$
	330	165		Filing a brief in support of an appeal	\$
	290	145		Request for oral hearing	\$
	110	55		Terminal Disclaimer Fee	\$
	110	55		Petition to revive - unavolable	\$
	1,330	665		Petition to revive - unintentional	\$
	1,330	665		Utility/Reissue issue fee	\$
	480	240		Design issue fee	\$
	640	320		Plant issue fee	\$
	130	130		Petitions to the Commissioner	\$130
	50	50		Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	\$
	180	180		Submission of IDS	\$
	40	40		Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	\$
	770	385		Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	\$770

Other fee (specify)

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DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
12/31/03	Docket No. : 501080.06 USAN No. : 09/652,842 Applicant : Vishnu K. Agarwal Title : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE <u>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION</u> Continued Examination Fee \$900.00 TOTAL \$900.00 SHA:cda 446602-1611	\$900.00

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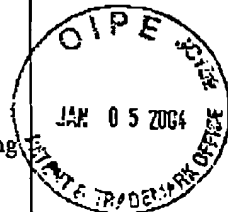
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Request for Continued Examination (+copy); Supplemental Information Disclosure
Statement; Form PTO-1449; Cited References (3); in re: Vishnu K. Agarwal,
USAN 09/652,842, filed August 31, 2000, for DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
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